

The Federal Communications Commission

Dear The Federal Communications Commission,

As a former military member, I no longer live near my relatives. Your proposal for a flat fee would increase my phone bills and the phone bill of my senior citizen parents. I urge you to reject a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service unaffordable.

I also oppose the universal service fee based on the fact that I cannot vote on it or get my representatives in congress to oppose it. Also computing and telecommunications services are now provided as a free service by local services. It is time to stop the fees now!

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as a high-volume residential or business customers. This is inappropriate.

I also use my wireless phone for safety, security and convenience. I don't want to lose these benefits so that big businesses can pay less than their fair share. I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee.

Keep the USF Fair!

Sincerely,

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